MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SEVENTH DAY.

Thursday, 27th December 1956.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Twelve of the Clock.

MR. SPEAKER (SRI S. R. KANTHI) in the Chair.

MEMBERS SWORN

1. Sri T. Anantha Pai (Udipi).
2. Sri Sharana Gowda (Andola—Jewargi).

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Public Libraries

Q.—25. Sri H. S. METGUD (Bailhongal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of Public Libraries that are in Mysore State;

(*b*) the number of libraries that are working in the former Bombay State area, Madras State area, Hyderabad State area, Coorg and former Mysore State area, now forming the new Mysore State respectively;

(*c*) the types of the libraries;

(*d*) the scale of grants given to each type of libraries;

(*e*) whether all the types of libraries are under one and the same scheme and under one and same department;

(*f*) the policy of Government to effect uniformity in organising and administering all these libraries?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) The information in respect of all the areas forming the New Mysore State is being collected.

(*b*) There are 44 Public Libraries and Reading Rooms in the former Mysore State area and 25 Panchayet Board and Grama Sangha Libraries in Bellary District.

The information in respect of the integrating areas is being collected.

(*c*) All the Libraries in the former Mysore State are Grant-in-aid Institutions. Those in Bellary District are governed by the Madras Public Libraries Act of 1948.

(*d*) The Libraries in the former Mysore State are sanctioned grants by the Government at the rates noted below:

(1) *Staff.*—Not exceeding one-half of the pay of the Librarian and servants provided that the grant under this item does not exceed Rs. 25 per mensem.

(2) *Furniture.*—Not exceeding one-third of the initial cost of furniture and one-third of the cost of articles that may be added from time to time subject to the previous approval of the Department.

(3) *Books.*—Not exceeding one-third of the initial cost of books and of those to be added annually and not exceeding one-third of the cost of binding old books in the District Headquarters or Towns with a population of 5,000 and above, and half in other places.

(4) *Newspapers and Periodicals.*—Not exceeding one-third of the cost of newspapers and periodicals in District Headquarters or Towns with a population of 5,000 and above, and two-thirds by Government and one-third by Village Panchayets in other places.

(SRI KADIDAL MANJAPPA.)

Grants for newspapers and periodicals should not exceed the grant for books.

The Libraries in Bellary District are governed by the rules of the Madras Public Libraries Act, 1948, since the said Act is still in force in Bellary District and the grant is sanctioned accordingly.

(*e*) The Libraries of the former Mysore State are not Departmental Institutions. They are private managed but aided by Departmental grant. Regarding Libraries in other areas information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(*f*) As far as the Libraries in the former Mysore State are concerned the grant-in-aid rules are applied uniformly to all such Libraries. The question of applying Grant-in-aid rules in vogue in the State to the Libraries in other areas also will be considered after studying the set-up in other areas.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Has the Government contemplated to have one uniform policy throughout the Mysore State in this movement ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—That is the idea, Sir. We are thinking on those lines.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Has the Government taken any subsidy announced by the Central Government for the library movement in the Mysore State ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I want notice.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Has the Government introduced any libraries according to the Act of 1867 of Copyright Libraries ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.— I am not aware of any Copyright Libraries being established, Sir.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Has the Government thought of giving any training facilities to Librarians in the Mysore State ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—So far we have not thought of that scheme.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—May I know whether the amount provided for libraries *viz.*, Rs. 40,000 includes the amount for rural libraries also ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—The Adult Education Council has taken the responsibility of starting rural libraries for the rural areas. For other major libraries, we are giving grants.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—The reply given is only about the Mysore libraries, but the libraries of the Bombay Karnataka have not been taken into account. Does it mean that the Government is not at all giving them any subsidy until the information is collected ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—The inference of the Hon'ble Member is not correct, Sir. We are collecting the information. Till then the existing Grant-in-aid rules will be in force.

Sri V. T. MAGADI.—May I know whether the Government Gazettes are being supplied to these libraries ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—They are being supplied to some libraries, but I want notice to give the names of those libraries.

Sri VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—May I know of the five systems which are the most generous systems ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Each has its own merits and demerits, Sir.

Sri J. K. PRANESHACHAR.—Will the Government consider the question of introducing a Bill on the lines of the Hyderabad Government ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—The Madras and Bombay regions are governed by Acts. We may consider the question of having a uniform law throughout the new State.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Does the Government intend introducing regional libraries as in the Bombay State ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I know in the old Bombay State there were regional libraries. There is still a regional library in Dharwar. We may consider the suggestion.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—May I know whether the Central Government have enacted any legislation in this behalf ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Yes, Sir.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are any grants available under that Act ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I think some grant is available.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—May I know whether the Government made efforts to secure those grants ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I want notice.

Sri H. S. METGUD.—Does Government think of separating the libraries from the management of the Educational department as it is now ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—The whole thing has to be reviewed in the light of the new circumstances.

Colleges affiliated to the Madras University

Q.—162. Sri B. S. KUSHALAPPA (Mercara Town).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Colleges now affiliated to the University of Madras will be affiliated to our Universities by the next academic year ;

(*b*) whether arrangement has been thought out to absorb the Pre-University course candidates those who pass and those who fail from the next academic year ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) & (*b*) The question is under consideration of Government.

Sri B. S. KUSHALAPPA.—May I know whether the Government is going to give an assurance that the decision will be taken at least by the next academic year ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—We are going to take a decision shortly. I am ascertaining the public opinion. I am also ascertaining the opinion of Hon'ble Members.

Prices of Foodgrains.

Q.—166. Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY (Chitaldrug).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) what were the prices of foodgrains in the months of February and June 1956 ;

(*b*) whether it has come to their notice that the prices of foodgrains are soaring up ;

(*c*) what steps they have taken to bring down the prices of foodgrains ?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Approximate price of rice, ragi and jowar are as follows :—

	February 1956 *Rs. per palla*	*June 1956* *Rs. per palla*
Rice I	... 36 to 67	... 50 to 80
Rice II	... 33 to 50	... 40 to 60
Ragi	... 17 to 25	... 20 to 38
Jola	... 16 to 27	... 19 to 41

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) With a view to bring about a stabilisation in prices, the Government of India have released rice I variety and overseas wheat at Rs. 16 and Rs. 14 per maund, respectively. Arrangements have been made to issue the rice released by them to the *bona fide* consumers through the Co-operative Institutions, Registered Associations, Corporation Depots, etc.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಬಿ. ಪೂಜಾರ್.—ಯಾವ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಈ ಅಂಕಿ ಅಂಶಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂಗ್ರಹ ಮಾಡಿರುವೆರಿ ?

*ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪಿ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಮಾರ್ಕೆಟಿಂಗ್ ಆಫೀಸರ್ಸ್ ಆಯಾ ಮಾರ್ಕೆಟ್ ದರಗಳಿಗನುಸಾರವಾಗಿ ಕಲೆಕ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಟ್ಟ ಅಂಕಿ ಅಂಶಗಳನ್ನು ಉತ್ತರದಲ್ಲಿ ವಿವರಿಸಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಚಿಕ್ಕಲಿಂಗಯ್ಯ.—ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯ (*c*) ವಿಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ, ಆಹಾರ ಧಾನ್ಯಗಳ ಬೆಲೆಯನ್ನು ಇಳಿಸುವ ಸಂಬಂಧವಾಗಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಆದರೆ ಆಯಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ಇಳಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಏನಾದರೂ ಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪಿ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಆ ಸ್ಕೀಮು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟದ್ದು. ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ನಮಗೆ ಆಹಾರಧಾನ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಸರಬರಾಯಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಆಯಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ನಾವು ಫೇರ್ ಪ್ರೈಸ್ ಡಿಪೋಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಚಿಕ್ಕಲಿಂಗಯ್ಯ.—ತಾವು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ದರಗಳು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ನಿಶ್ಚಿತಗೊಳಿಸಿದ ಬೆಲೆಯೇ, ಅಥವಾ ಆಯಾ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ತಾವು ನಿರ್ಧರ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಬೆಲೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಪಿ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಈ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ನಿಶ್ಚಿತಗೊಳಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

*Asterisk indicates that the remarks or speeches have not been revised by the Members concerned.